GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CULTURE
LOK SABHA

STARRED QUESTION NO:215
ANSWERED ON:31.07.2017
Science Cities/Museums
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Will the Minister of CULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the science cities/museums set up in the country, State/UT-wise;

(b) the salient features of the science cities/museums set up in the country and the objectives behind setting up such science cities/museums;

(c) whether the Government proposes to set up at least one science city/museum in each State/UT of the country and if so, the details thereof, State/UT-wise including the States of Bihar, Jharkhand, Rajasthan and Gujarat along with the action taken by the Government in this regard and the time by which such cities/museums are likely to be set up in various States;

(d) the funds allocated and utilized so far in this regard, State/UT-wise; and

(e) whether his Ministry is coordinating with the Ministry of Science and Technology for the purpose and if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE (IC) FOR CULTURE & TOURISM

(DR. MAHESH SHARMA)

(a) to (e) : A Statement is laid on the table of the House

STATEMENT REFERRED IN REPLY TO PART (a) TO (e) OF LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO *215 FOR REPLY ON 31.07.2017.

(a) The Ministry of Culture administers a scheme for setting up of Science Cities/Science Centres through National Council of Science Museums (NCSM), an autonomous organization under the Ministry of Culture. The details of Science Cities set up are ;

Sl. No. Names of the Science Cities functioning under NCSM State-wise location
01 Science City, Kolkata West Bengal
02 Regional Science City, Lucknow Uttar Pradesh

In addition, Pushpa Gujral Science City, Kapurtala, Punjab and Gujarat Science City, Ahmedabad, Gujarat have been set up by Council of Pushpa Gujral Science City, Punjab and Gujarat Council of Science City, Gujarat respectively with support from Ministry of Culture.
The list of Science Centres is at Annexure A.

(b) The salient features of Science cities/science centres inter-alia include creating an experiment based immersive learning ambience to inculcate a spirit of inquiry, foster creative talent and create scientific temper in the community as a whole through its two-pronged channel of communication - exhibits and activities etc.

The prime objectives of Science Cities/Science Centres include:-

â€¢ To portray the growth of science and technology and their applications in industry and human welfare.
â€¢ To popularize science and technology in cities, urban and rural areas for the benefit of students and for the common man.

(c) The Science Cities Scheme provides for setting up of Science Cities and Science Centres in all the states of the country, subject to availability of funds for this purpose. States willing to avail of this Scheme have to provide land and share the cost of setting up of facility and corpus for upkeep and maintenance.

The Science Centres set up in the states of Bihar, Jharkhand, Rajasthan and Gujarat are:

1. Sri Krishna Science Centre,Patna, Bihar
2. Regional Science Centre, Ranchi, Jharkhand
3. Regional Science Centre, Jaipur, Rajasthan
4. Sub-Regional Science Centre, Jodhpur, Rajasthan
5. District Science Centre, Dharampur, Gujarat

The proposals to set up Sub Regional Science Centre, Udaipur in Rajasthan, Sub Regional Science Centre, Gaya and Dr. A. P. J. Abdul Kalam Science City, Patna in Bihar have been approved by Ministry of Culture.

There is no specific time frame in the Scheme in which Science Cities/Science Centres are to be set up in each State/UT, since setting up of a Science City/Science Centre depends on the receipt of a proposal from State Government along with commitments for meeting requirements such as land, fund etc.

(d) The funds allocated and utilized so far by NCSM for setting up of science centres during 12th Plan period is shown at Annexure-B

(e) No.

Annexure 'A'

ANNEXURE REFERRED TO IN REPLLY TO (a) TO (e) OF LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NUMBER * 215 FOR 31.07.2017

Science Centres

Sl. no. Names of the Science Centres State-wise location
1. Regional Science Centre, Tirupati Andhra Pradesh

2. Science Centre, Port Blair, A & N Island

3. Itanagar Science Centre, Itanagar Arunachal Pradesh

4. Regional Science Centre, Guwahati Assam

5. Jorhat Science Centre & Planetarium, Jorhat Assam

6. Shri Krishna Science Centre, Patna Bihar

7. Regional Science Centre, Raipur Chattisgarh

8. National Science Centre, Delhi Delhi

9. Goa Science Centre, Panaji Goa

10. District Science Centre, Dharampur Gujarat

11. Kurukshetra Panorama & Science Centre, Kurukshetra Haryana

12. Regional Science Centre, Ranchi Jharkhand

13. Visvesvaraya Industrial & Technological Museum, Bangalore Karnataka

14. District Science Centre, Gulbarga Karnataka

15. Regional Science Centre, Dharwad Karnataka

16. Regional Science Centre, Pilikula, Mangalore Karnataka

17. Regional Science Centre, Calicut Kerala

18. Regional Science Centre, Bhopal Madhya Pradesh

19. Nehru Science Centre, Mumbai Maharashtra

20. Raman Science Centre, Nagpur Maharashtra

21. Sub-Regional Science Centre, Solapur Maharashtra

22. Regional Science Centre, Pune Maharashtra

23. Manipur Science Centre, Manipur Manipur

24. Shillong Science Centre, Shillong, Meghalaya

25. Mizoram Science Centre, Aizwal Mizoram

26. Nagaland Science Centre, Dimapur, Nagaland

27. Regional Science Centre, Bhubaneswar Odisha

28. Dhenkanal Science Centre, Dhenkanal & Kapilas Sc. Park Odisha

29. Sub-Regional Science Centre & Planetarium, Puducherry Puducherry

30. Regional Science Centre, Jaipur Rajasthan

31. Sub-Regional Science Centre, Jodhpur Rajasthan

32. Sikkim Science Centre & Planetarium, Gangtok Sikkim

33. District Science Centre, Tirunelveli Tamil Nadu

34. Regional Science Centre, Coimbatore Tamil Nadu

35. Regional Science Centre, Dehradun Uttarakhand

36. Bardhaman Science Centre, Bardhaman West Bengal

37. District Science Centre, Purulia West Bengal

38. District Science Centre, Digha West Bengal

39. North Bengal Science Centre, Siliguri West Bengal

40. Birla Industrial & Technological Museum, Kolkata West Bengal

41. Sub-Regional Science Centres, Kalimpong West Bengal

Annexure-B

ANNEXURE REFERRED TO IN REPLLY TO (a) TO (e) OF LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NUMBER * 215 FOR 31.07.2017

Statement showing details of funds released and expenditure incurred for ongoing projects of Science Cities/Centres during 12th Plan period and beyond
(Figures in lakh)

(i) Science Centres being set up with 100% funding from Ministry of Culture GOI

Sl. No.	Name of the Science Centre (project cost)	Funds sanctioned fund between MOC & State Govt.	Ratio of sharing of Fund MOC	MOC State	Total	Fund released	Expenditure upto 30.6.2017
1	SRSC, Palampur, HP	600.00	100:00	250.00	-	250.00	139.05
2	SRSC, Almora, Uttarakhand	600.00	100:00	100.00	-	100.00	26.30

(ii) Science Centres/ Science Cities projects being setup with fund sharing between GOI and State Govt. and to be handed over to State Govt. after inauguration

Sl. No.	Name of the Science Centre (project cost)	Funds sanctioned Ratio of sharing of fund between MOC & State Govt.	MOC	State	Total	Fund released so far	Expenditure upto 30.06.17
1	Science City, Guwahati, Assam	11000.00	90:10	3816.67	1100.00	4916.67	14.37
2	RSC, Kottayam, Kerala	1450.00	50:50	250.00	725.00	975.00	409.81
3	RSC, Mysore, Karnataka	1450.00	50:50	250.00	725.00	975.00	153.13
4	SRSC, Bargarh, Odisha	500.00	50:50	157.00	250.00	407.00	179.83
5	SRSC, Udaipur, Tripura	600.00	90:10	405.00	60.00	465.00	251.34
6	SRSC, Gaya, Bihar	500.00	50:50	50.00	250.00	300.00	0.50
7	SRSC, Udaipur, Rajasthan	500.00	50:50	100.00	250.00	350.00	0.27
8	SRSC, Jabalpur, M.P.	1520.00 (including corpus fund of Rs. 3.70 Crore)	50:50*	100.00	300.00	400.00	1.13
9	SRSC, Srinagar, J&K	600.00	90:10	-	60.00	60.00	0.37
10	SRSC, Rajahmundry, A. P.	500.00	50:50	100.00	-	100.00	0.77
11	SRSC, Kokrajhar, Assam	600.00	90:10	146.00	60.00	206.00	2.59

12 SRSC, Mayabundar, A&N Island 600.00 90:10 100.00 60.00 160.00 1.10

*50:50 (Capital Cost)
**20:80 (Corpus Fund)